United Nations

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Official Records

2nd
PLENARY MEETING

Thursday, 21 September 1993
at 5.30 p.m.

NEW YORK

President: Mr. INSANALLY
(Guyana)

The meeting was called to order at 5.30 p.m.

ITEM 5 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEES

1. ***The PRESIDENT***: I should like to inform members that the following representatives have been elected chairmen of the six Main Committees of the Assembly and are accordingly members of the General Committee for the forty-eighth session:

First Committee:	Mr. Adolf Ritter von Wagner (Germany)
Special Political and Decolonization Committee:	Mr. Stanley Kalpagé (Sri Lanka)
Second Committee:	Mr. René Valéry Mongbé (Benin)
Third Committee:	Mr. Eduard Kukan (Slovakia)
Fifth Committee:	Mr. Rabah Hadid (Algeria)
Sixth Committee:	Mrs. María del Luján Flores (Uruguay)

2. I congratulate the Chairmen on their election.

ITEM 6 OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

3. ***The PRESIDENT***: Pursuant to rule 31 of the rules of procedure, we shall now proceed to the election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly.

4. All members of the General Assembly are eligible in this election except those already represented in the General Committee, namely those countries whose representatives have been elected to the presidency of the General Assembly or to the chairmanships of the Main Committees.

5. In accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 of the annex to resolution 33/138, the 21 Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session shall be elected according to the following pattern:

(a) Six representatives from African States;

(b) Five representatives from Asian States;

(c) One representative from an Eastern European State;

(d) Two representatives from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(e) Two representatives from Western European or other States; and

(f) Representatives of the five permanent members of the Security Council.

6. In accordance with paragraph 16 of annex VI to the rules of procedure, the election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly by secret ballot will be dispensed with when the number of candidates corresponds to the number of seats to be filled. In other words, whenever the number of candidates in a given region corresponds to the number of seats to be filled in that region, those candidates will be declared elected.

This record is subject to correction.
Corrections should be sent under the signature of a member of the delegation concerned *within one week of the date of publication* to the Chief of the Verbatim Reporting Section, Room C-178, and incorporated in a copy of the record.

Corrections will be issued after the end of the session in a consolidated corrigendum.

93-86575 (E)

Distr. GENERAL

A/48/PV.2
1 October 1993

ENGLISH

7. We shall proceed accordingly.

8. I shall now read the names of the candidates endorsed by the regional groups.

African States: Burkina Faso, Egypt, Liberia, United Republic of Tanzania, Zaire, Zambia

Asian States: Bangladesh, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan, Republic of Korea

Eastern European States: Poland

Latin American and Caribbean States: Grenada, Guatemala

Western European and other States: Canada, Liechtenstein

9. Since the number of candidates endorsed by the regional groups corresponds, happily, to the number of seats to be filled in each region, I declare those candidates elected, in addition to the representatives of the five permanent members of the Security Council.

10. The following States have therefore been elected to vice-presidencies of the General Assembly: Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Canada, China, Egypt, France, Grenada, Guatemala, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Pakistan, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Zaire and Zambia.

11. I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the States which have been elected Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly.

12. The General Committee for the forty-eighth session of the General Assembly has now been fully constituted in accordance with rule 38 of the rules of procedure.

13. The first meeting of the General Committee will be held on Wednesday, 22 September 1993, at 10 a.m., in Conference Room 4. In the light of what was said earlier about making our procedures as efficient as possible, I would urge Members to respect the hour given.

The meeting rose at 5.35 p.m.